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## **DECLARATION**

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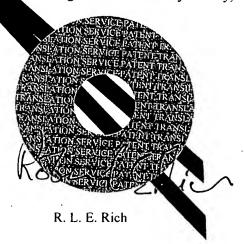
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# ORGANIC ELECTRONIC COMPONENT AND PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ORGANIC ELECTRONICS

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I, Robin L. E. Rich, M.A., of the above address, do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that I am conversant with the German and English languages and am a competent translator thereof and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the attached document in the English language is a true and correct translation made by me of the attached New Claims of the German text of said Application for Patent.

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### **CLAIMS**

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1. A process for the production of an organic electronic component, wherein a functional organic based layer is applied, in a continuous process step, in the form of a homogenous, unpatterned coating obtained by a roller-compatible process, for example by porous roll coating, dip coating, rod coating, knife coating, blade coating, air knife coating, gravure coating, forward and reverse coating, slot and extrusion coating, slide coating, curtain coating, and spray coating.

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 A process for applying a homogenous and unpatterned coating of an organic electronic component, which is carried out in a wholly roll-to-roll process on, for example, a web or individual sheets.

A process as defined in any one of the previous claims, wherein said electronic component is composed of several individual layers and at least one functional organic-based layer is used.

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4. A process as defined in any one of the previous claims, wherein said layers are directly or indirectly patterned in a subsequent process step.

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5. A process for the continuous production of an organic component, comprising the following production steps:

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 applying to a substrate consisting of a continuous, coherent web or a succession of individual sheets, by a continuous coating method, a functional (conducting, semi-conducting or insulating) organic material as a homogenous, unpatterned coating,

printing a varnish in patterned form over this functional layer,

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patterning the functional layer by means of this varnish directly or via further process steps.

- 7. A process as defined in any one of the previous claims, wherein the respective coating and/or patterning step is followed by aftertreatment of the layer.
- A process as defined in any one of the previous claims, wherein patterning of the layers is carried out in a roll-to-roll compatible process, for example by gravure printing, planographic printing (offset), letterpress printing (flexographic printing), ink jet printing, laser printing, or by combinations thereof and related processes.

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9. An electronic component, constructed by one or more of the processes as defined in any one of claims 1 to 8.